

## APPENDIX 4: TOPLINE QUESTIONNAIRE

PEW RESEARCH CENTER  
2012 SURVEY OF ASIAN AMERICANS  
FINAL TOPLINE

	Asian Americans	Christian	Protestant	Catholic	Buddhist	Hindu	Unaffiliated
N	3,511	1,599	860	702	526	333	844

Note: All numbers are percentages. The percentages greater than zero but less than 0.5 % are replaced by an asterisk (\*). Columns/rows may not total 100% due to rounding. Percentages for sub-groups are not reported when n is less than 100. Selected trends for the general public are shown for comparison. General public trends for the United States come from various surveys by the Pew Research Center projects, and are noted as follows:

P-P—Pew Research Center for the People & the Press  
SDT—Pew Social & Demographic Trends  
Forum—Pew Forum on Religion & Public Life  
GAP—Pew Global Attitudes Project  
PHC—Pew Hispanic Center

Throughout the topline, “[Country of Origin]” indicates language customized to match the Asian group of the respondent. See code for COOGROUP at the end of the topline for more detail. Demographic questions are not shown. For more detail, see the questionnaire.

### SCREENING INTERVIEW

NO QUESTION 1

ASK ALL

### QUESTION 2 PREVIOUSLY RELEASED

NO QUESTION 3

SCREENING INTERVIEW QUESTIONS NOT SHOWN INCLUDE: HISPANIC ORIGIN, RACE, SPECIFIC ASIAN GROUP, ALTERNATE RESPONDENT SELECTION QUESTIONS

### ASK ALL

As mentioned before, this survey is being conducted for the Pew Research Center. We have some questions on a few different topics, and as a token of our appreciation for your time, we would like to send you \$20 at the completion of this survey. The next question is,...

## MAIN INTERVIEW BEGINS HERE

## QUESTIONS 6-7 PREVIOUSLY RELEASED

## NO QUESTION 8

## QUESTIONS 9-12b PREVIOUSLY RELEASED

## ASK ALL

Q13 If you had to choose, would you rather have a smaller government providing fewer services, or a bigger government providing more services?

	Asian Americans Jan 3- Mar27 2012	Christian	Protestant	Catholic	Buddhist	Hindu	Unaffil- iated	General Public (P-P) Jan 4-8, 2012
Smaller government, fewer services	36	37	40	33	30	41	36	52
Bigger government, more services	55	55	52	60	62	46	54	39
Depends (VOL.)	4	3	3	3	3	5	4	2
Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	5	5	5	3	5	7	6	7

## NO QUESTION 14 THROUGH 16

## QUESTION 17 PREVIOUSLY RELEASED

## NO QUESTION 18

## ASK ALL

Q19 Here are some goals people value in their lives. Please tell me how important each of the following is to you personally. First [INSERT FIRST ITEM; RANDOMIZE], is that one of the most important things in your life, or very important but not one of the most important things, or somewhat important, or not important? How about [INSERT NEXT ITEM]? [REPEAT AS NECESSARY "Is that one of the most important things in your life, or very important but not one of the most important things, or somewhat important, or not important?"] IF RESPONDENT SAYS "VERY IMPORTANT" PROBE: "To clarify, would that be one of the most important things in your life OR very important but not one of the most important things OR somewhat important, OR not important."

	One of the most important things	Very important but not one of the most important things	Somewhat important	Not important	Don't know/ Refused (VOL.)
<b>ALL ASIAN AMERICANS</b>					
d. Being a good parent	67	27	4	1	1
b. Having a successful marriage	54	32	9	4	1
g. Owning your own home	32	36	26	6	1
f. Helping other people who are in need	28	44	26	2	1
a. Being successful in a high-paying career or profession	27	39	27	6	1
c. Living a very religious life	22	23	28	25	1
e. Having lots of free time to relax or do things you want to do	20	37	36	6	1

## Q19 CONTINUED...

## a. Being successful in a high-paying career or profession

	Asian Americans Jan 3- Mar27 <u>2012</u>	Christian	Protest- ant	Catholic	Buddhist	Hindu	Unaffil- iated	General Public (SDT) Jan 14-27, <u>2010</u> <sup>53</sup>
One of the most important things	27	24	20	29	36	33	20	9
Very important but not one of the most important things	39	40	38	44	35	42	41	36
Somewhat important	27	28	33	23	24	18	31	34
Not important	6	6	7	4	4	5	6	21
Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	1	1	2	*	1	2	2	1

## b. Having a successful marriage

	Asian Americans Jan 3- Mar27 <u>2012</u>	Christian	Protest- ant	Catholic	Buddhist	Hindu	Unaffil- iated	General Public (SDT) Jan 14-27, <u>2010</u>
One of the most important things	54	56	59	53	50	66	46	34
Very important but not one of the most important things	32	32	31	33	35	28	34	51
Somewhat important	9	7	5	10	10	2	13	8
Not important	4	3	3	4	2	1	6	6
Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	1	1	2	0	2	2	2	2

## c. Living a very religious life

	Asian Americans Jan 3- Mar27 <u>2012</u>	Christian	Protest- ant	Catholic	Buddhist	Hindu	Unaffil- iated	General Public (SDT) Jan 14-27, <u>2010</u>
One of the most important things	22	37	40	33	19	17	3	20
Very important but not one of the most important things	23	31	29	33	23	23	10	35
Somewhat important	28	24	25	25	38	31	25	25
Not important	25	7	5	8	19	28	60	19
Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	1	1	2	*	1	1	2	1

<sup>53</sup> In Jan 2010, the question stem read, "Here are some goals that people value in their lives. Some people say these things are very important to them. Others say they are not so important. Please tell me how important each is to you personally. First [INSERT FIRST ITEM; RANDOMIZE], is that one of the most important things in your life, very important but not the most, somewhat important, or not important? How about [INSERT NEXT ITEM]? [REPEAT AS NECESSARY "is that one of the most important things in your life, very important but not the most, somewhat important, or not important?"]"

## Q19 CONTINUED...

## d. Being a good parent

	Asian Americans Jan 3- Mar27 <u>2012</u>	Christian	Protest- ant	Catholic	Buddhist	Hindu	Unaffil- iated	General Public (SDT) Jan 14-27, <u>2010</u>
One of the most important things	67	66	64	68	65	80	63	50
Very important but not one of the most important things	27	29	31	26	29	17	30	44
Somewhat important	4	4	3	4	5	2	4	2
Not important	1	1	*	1	*	1	2	3
Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	1	1	1	*	1	*	2	1

## e. Having lots of free time to relax or do things you want to do

	Asian Americans Jan 3- Mar27 <u>2012</u>	Christian	Protest- ant	Catholic	Buddhist	Hindu	Unaffil- iated	General Public (SDT) Jan 14-27, <u>2010</u>
One of the most important things	20	20	20	21	21	16	20	10
Very important but not one of the most important things	37	36	38	33	39	35	42	43
Somewhat important	36	36	35	36	34	42	32	37
Not important	6	7	6	9	5	7	6	9
Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	1	1	1	1	1	*	1	1

## f. Helping other people who are in need

	Asian Americans Jan 3- Mar27 <u>2012</u>	Christian	Protest- ant	Catholic	Buddhist	Hindu	Unaffil- iated	General Public (SDT) Jan 14-27, <u>2010</u>
One of the most important things	28	30	30	30	24	32	19	20
Very important but not one of the most important things	44	43	40	46	44	43	45	60
Somewhat important	26	25	29	21	28	24	31	18
Not important	2	1	1	3	2	1	2	1
Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	1	*	1	*	2	0	3	1

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## Q19 CONTINUED...

g. Owning your own home.

	Asian Americans Jan 3- Mar27 <u>2012</u>	Christian	Protest- ant	Catholic	Buddhist	Hindu	Unaffil- iated	General Public (SDT) Jan 14-27, <u>2010</u>
One of the most important things	32	33	28	38	38	33	24	20
Very important but not one of the most important things	36	37	39	34	36	39	35	53
Somewhat important	26	23	25	22	20	24	32	20
Not important	6	6	8	5	5	3	8	7
Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	1	1	*	1	1	1	1	1

## QUESTIONS 20-22b PREVIOUSLY RELEASED

## NO QUESTION 23

## ASK ALL

Q24 Overall, do you think of yourself to be a typical American OR very different from a typical American?

	Asian Americans Jan 3- Mar27 <u>2012</u>	Christian	Protestant	Catholic	Buddhist	Hindu	Unaffiliated
Typical American	39	44	41	46	32	27	41
Very different from typical American	53	49	50	49	59	59	52
Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	9	7	8	5	10	14	8

## NO QUESTION 25

**ASK ALL**

On a different topic.

Q26A In the past 12 months, have you worked with other people from your neighborhood to fix a problem or improve a condition in your community or elsewhere, or haven't you done this?

**ASK IF YES Q26A=1**

Q26B When you have done this, was it through a house of worship or other religious organization, through a civic, community or other non-religious organization, or have you done this kind of work through both religious and non-religious organizations?

	Asian Americans Jan 3- Mar27 <u>2012</u>	Christian	Protest- ant	Catholic	Buddhist	Hindu	Unaffil- iated	General Public (P-P) Jul 28- 31, <u>2011</u>
Yes, have done this	44	49	49	48	39	43	38	38
Through a house of worship or other religious organization	7	12	16	9	4	5	1	--
Through a civic, community or other non-religious organization	22	17	14	21	22	24	28	--
Through both religious and non-religious organizations	13	19	18	18	12	13	6	--
Neither <b>(VOL.)</b>	2	1	1	2	1	2	3	--
Don't know/Refused <b>(VOL.)</b>	*	*	1	0	*	0	*	--
No, haven't done this	55	49	50	50	60	55	62	62
Don't know/Refused <b>(VOL.)</b>	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	*

**NO QUESTION 27 THROUGH 29**

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## ASK ALL

On another topic

Q30 What is your present religion, if any? Are you Protestant, Roman Catholic, Mormon, Orthodox such as Greek or Russian Orthodox, Jewish, Muslim, Buddhist, Hindu, atheist, agnostic, something else, or nothing in particular?  
**[INTERVIEWER: IF R VOLUNTEERS “nothing in particular, none, no religion, etc.” BEFORE REACHING  
 END OF LIST, PROMPT WITH: and would you say that’s atheist, agnostic, or just nothing in particular?]**

**RECORD RESPONSE IF RESPONDED “SOMETHING ELSE” IN Q30 (Q30=11)**

Q30a **(RECORD RESPONSE)**

**ASK IF RESPONDED “SOMETHING ELSE” OR “DON’T KNOW” OR REFUSED (Q30 = 11,99)**

Q30b Do you think of yourself as a Christian, a Muslim, a Buddhist, a Hindu, or none of these?

	Asian Americans Jan 3- Mar27 <u>2012</u>	General Public (P-P) <u>2011<sup>54</sup></u>
Christian [NET]	42	75
Protestant <sup>55</sup>	22	50
Roman Catholic	19	23
Other Christian	1	2
Mormon	1	2
Orthodox	1	1
Iglesia ni Cristo (VOL.)	*	--
Buddhist	14	1
Hindu	10	*
Other Religion [NET]	7	4
Jewish	*	2
Muslim	4	1
Unitarian (Universalist) (VOL.)	*	*
Sikh (VOL.)	1	--
Jain (VOL.)	*	--
Bahá'í Faith (VOL.)	*	--
Shinto (VOL.)	*	--
Confucian (VOL.)	*	--
Cao Dai (VOL.)	*	--
Something else (SPECIFY)	1	2
Unaffiliated [NET]	26	19
Atheist/Agnostic	8	5
Nothing in particular	17	13
Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	1	1

<sup>54</sup> General public figures based on aggregated data from surveys conducted by the Pew Research Center for the People & the Press in the year 2011 (N=19,377).

<sup>55</sup> Includes “Protestant” and “Christian (VOL.)”

**IF PROTESTANT/CHRISTIAN (Q30=1, 13) OR (Q30=11 AND Q30b=1), ASK:**

Q31\_denom As far as your present religion, what denomination or church, if any, do you identify with most closely?  
Just stop me when I get to the right one. Are you **(READ)**

**INTERVIEWER: DO NOT READ QUESTION IF R VOLUNTEERED DENOMINATION IN PREVIOUS QUESTION. RECORD RESPONSE IN APPROPRIATE CATEGORY.**

**BASED ON PROTESTANT [N=860]:**

	Asian
	Americans
	Jan 3-
	Mar27
	<u>2012</u>
Baptist	18
Methodist	9
Lutheran	4
Presbyterian	19
Pentecostal (Assemblies of God, Four-Square Gospel)	7
Episcopalian or Anglican	3
Church of Christ, or Disciples of Christ (Christian Church)	1
Congregational or United Church of Christ	3
Holiness (Nazarenes, Wesleyan Church, Salvation Army)	2
Reformed (Reformed Church in America; Christian Reformed)	*
Church of God	*
Nondenominational or Independent Church	14
Something else <b>(SPECIFY)</b>	2
Or none in particular	10
Jehovah's Witness <b>(VOL.)</b>	2
Just a Protestant <b>(VOL.)</b>	*
Just a Christian <b>(VOL.)</b>	1
Seventh-Day Adventist <b>(VOL.)</b>	2
Don't know/Refused <b>(VOL.)</b>	3
	(N=860)

**NO QUESTION 31A THROUGH 31P**

**QUESTIONS 31Q THROUGH 31T NOT SHOWN DUE TO SMALL SAMPLE SIZE (OTHER SPECIFIC GROUPS OR DENOMINATIONS FOR MORMON, ORTHODOX, JEWISH, MUSLIM)**



**IF BUDDHIST (Q30=7 OR Q30b=3), ASK:**

Q31u Which of the following Buddhist groups, if any, do you identify with most closely? Theravada (**PRONOUNCE: tare-ah-VAH-dah**) Buddhism, Vipassana (**PRONOUNCE: vi-PAH-sah-nah**) Buddhism, Mahayana (**PRONOUNCE: mah-hah-YAH-nah**) Buddhism (such as Zen, Son or Cha'n), Vajrayana (**PRONOUNCE: vi-rah-YAH-nah**) Buddhism (such as Tibetan), or something else?

**BASED ON BUDDHIST [N=526]:**

	Asian Americans Jan 3- Mar27 <u>2012</u>
Theravada Buddhism	8
Vipassana Buddhism	2
Mahayana (Zen, Son, or Cha'n) Buddhism	13
Vajrayana (Tibetan) Buddhism	5
Jodo Shinshu (Higashi Honganji, Nishi Honganji) Buddhism ( <b>VOL.</b> )	7
Soka Gokkai (Nichiren) ( <b>VOL.</b> )	1
Other Buddhist ( <b>SPECIFY</b> )	1
Buddhist not further specified (just a Buddhist) ( <b>VOL.</b> )	49
Don't know/Refused ( <b>VOL.</b> )	15 (N=526)

**IF HINDU (Q30=8 OR Q30b=4), ASK:**

Q31v Which of the following Hindu groups, if any, do you identify with most closely? Vaishnava (**PRONOUNCE: VAISH-nuh-vuh**) Hinduism or Shaivite (**PRONOUNCE: SHAI-vite**) Hinduism, or is it something else?

**BASED ON HINDU [N=333]:**

	Asian Americans Jan 3- Mar27 <u>2012</u>
Vaishnava Hinduism	19
Shaivite Hinduism	10
Shaktism Hinduism ( <b>VOL.</b> )	*
ISKCON/Hare Krishna ( <b>VOL.</b> )	3
Vedanta ( <b>VOL.</b> )	2
Other Hindu ( <b>SPECIFY</b> )	5
Hindu not further specified (just Hindu) ( <b>VOL.</b> )	53
Don't know/Refused ( <b>VOL.</b> )	7 (N=333)

**ASK IF CHRISTIAN (Q30=1-4,13,21 or Q30b=1)**

Q32 Would you describe yourself [INSERT ITEM; ASK A ALWAYS FIRST; RANDOMIZE ITEMS B &amp; C]?

a. as a "born-again" or evangelical Christian, or not?

**BASED ON CHRISTIAN [N=1,599]:**

	Asian Americans Jan 3- Mar27 <u>2012</u>	Christian	Protest- ant	Catholic	Buddhist	Hindu	Unaffil- iated	General Public (P-P) <u>2011</u> <sup>56</sup>
Yes	40	40	58	19				42
No	52	52	32	73				54
Don't know/ Refused (VOL.)	8	8	10	8				4
Undesignated <sup>57</sup>	*	*	*	0				--
	(N=1,599)	(N=1,599)	(N=860)	(N=702)				(N=14,871)

b. as a Pentecostal [IF Q30=2 INSERT "Catholic"; ALL OTHER CHRISTIANS INSERT "Christian"], or not?

**BASED ON CHRISTIAN [N=1,599]:**

	Asian Americans Jan 3- Mar27 <u>2012</u>	Christian	Protest- ant	Catholic	Buddhist	Hindu	Unaffil- iated	General Public (Forum) May 8- Aug 13, <u>2007</u>
Yes	16	16	16	16				14
No	73	73	70	74				79
Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	11	11	13	9				8
Undesignated	*	*	*	0				--
	(N=1,599)	(N=1,599)	(N=860)	(N=702)				(N=28,279)

c. as a Charismatic [IF Q30=2 INSERT "Catholic"; ALL OTHER CHRISTIANS INSERT "Christian"], or not?

**BASED ON CHRISTIAN [N=1,599]:**

	Asian Americans Jan 3- Mar27 <u>2012</u>	Christian	Protest- ant	Catholic	Buddhist	Hindu	Unaffil- iated	General Public (Forum) May 8- Aug 13, <u>2007</u>
Yes	26	26	24	28				25
No	62	62	60	64				63
Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	12	12	16	8				12
Undesignated	*	*	*	0				--
	(N=1,599)	(N=1,599)	(N=860)	(N=702)				(N=28,279)

<sup>56</sup> General public figures based on aggregated data from surveys conducted by the Pew Research Center for the People & the Press in the year 2011.<sup>57</sup> In all cases, "undesignated" refers to people who were miscategorized while taking the survey and as a result were not asked the question.

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**ASK ALL**

## ATTEND

Aside from weddings and funerals, how often do you **[IF NOT BUDDHIST OR HINDU INSERT “ATTEND RELIGIOUS SERVICES”; IF BUDDHIST OR HINDU OR INSERT “GO TO YOUR HOUSE OF WORSHIP”]**... more than once a week, once a week, once or twice a month, a few times a year, seldom, or never?

	Asian Americans Jan 3- Mar27 <u>2012</u>	Christian	Protestant	Catholic	Buddhist	Hindu	Unaffil- iated	General Public (P-P) <u>2011</u> <sup>58</sup>
More than once a week	10	20	26	15	3	4	*	12
Once a week	22	40	35	45	9	15	1	25
Once or twice a month	13	12	12	12	19	28	5	15
A few times a year	22	14	14	16	33	38	18	19
Seldom	18	9	10	9	20	11	34	15
Never	15	3	3	2	16	4	42	12
Don't know/Refused ( <b>VOL.</b> )	1	1	1	1	*	*	*	1

**ASK ALL**

Q33 How important is religion in your life – very important, somewhat important, not too important, or not at all important?

	Asian Americans Jan 3- Mar27 <u>2012</u>	Christian	Protestant	Catholic	Buddhist	Hindu	Unaffil- iated	General Public (P-P) Jul 21- Aug 5, <u>2010</u>
Very important	39	64	64	64	27	32	4	58
Somewhat important	30	28	27	30	46	51	18	24
Not too important	17	6	8	5	22	13	35	9
Not at all important	13	1	1	2	4	4	41	8
Don't know/Refused ( <b>VOL.</b> )	1	*	*	*	*	0	2	1

<sup>58</sup> General public figures based on aggregated data from surveys conducted by the Pew Research Center for the People & the Press in the year 2011 (N=17,992). In these surveys, question wording was “Aside from weddings and funerals, how often do you attend religious services...” for all respondents including Buddhist and Hindu respondents.

**ASK ALL**

Q34A Which comes closest to your view? **[READ, IN ORDER]**  
**[INSERT LANGUAGE FOR Holy book: IF CHRISTIAN INSERT “the Bible”; IF JEWISH INSERT “the Torah”; IF MUSLIM INSERT “the Koran”; IF UNAFFILIATED INSERT “the Bible”; IF BUDDHIST, HINDU, AND ALL OTHER INSERT “the Holy Scripture”] [INSERT HOLY BOOK]** is the word of God, OR **[INSERT HOLY BOOK]** is a book written by men and is not the word of God.

**IF BELIEVE [HOLY BOOK] IS WORD OF GOD (Q34A=1), ASK:**

Q34B And would you say that **[READ, IN ORDER]**?  
**[IF CHRISTIAN INSERT “the Bible”; IF JEWISH INSERT “the Torah”; IF MUSLIM INSERT “the Koran”; IF UNAFFILIATED INSERT “the Bible”; IF BUDDHIST, HINDU, AND ALL OTHER INSERT “the Holy Scripture”] [INSERT HOLY BOOK]** is to be taken literally, word for word, OR not everything in **[INSERT HOLY BOOK]** should be taken literally, word for word.

	Asian Americans Jan 3- Mar27 <u>2012</u>	Christian	Protest- ant	Cathol- ic	Buddhist	Hindu	Unaffil- iated	General Public (P-P/ Forum) Jul 21- Aug 5, <u>2010</u>
<b>NET [HOLY BOOK]</b> is the word of God	48	80	86	72	24	36	10	68
<b>[HOLY BOOK]</b> is to be taken literally, word for word	20	36	41	29	10	9	2	34
Not everything in <b>[HOLY BOOK]</b> should be taken literally, word for word.	24	38	37	39	10	25	7	30
Other <b>(VOL.)</b>	1	2	3	2	0	1	*	1
Don't know/Refused <b>(VOL.)</b>	3	3	5	2	3	2	1	2
<b>[HOLY BOOK]</b> is a book written by men and is not the word of God.	36	15	10	23	44	43	68	23
Other <b>(VOL.)</b>	3	2	1	3	4	2	5	3
Don't know/Refused <b>(VOL.)</b>	12	3	4	3	28	19	17	6

**ASK ALL**

Q35 Do you believe in God or a universal spirit, or not?

	Asian Americans Jan 3- Mar27 <u>2012</u>	Christian	Protestant	Catholic	Buddhist	Hindu	Unaffiliated	General Public (Forum) May 19- Jun 4, <u>2010</u>
Yes	79	96	95	97	71	91	49	92
No	16	3	4	2	21	6	40	6
Other <b>(VOL.)</b>	1	*	*	0	2	1	2	1
Don't know/Refused <b>(VOL.)</b>	4	1	1	1	6	3	9	1

**ASK BUDDHISTS (Q30=7 or Q30b=3) AND HINDUS (Q30=8 or Q30b=4)**

Q36 Do you believe in [IF BUDDHIST INSERT "NIRVANA" IF HINDU INSERT "MOKSHA"] the ultimate state transcending pain and desire in which individual consciousness ends, or not?

**BASED ON BUDDHISTS [N=526]:**

	Asian
	Americans
	Jan 3-Mar27
	<u>2012</u>
Yes	51
No	30
Other (VOL)	2
Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	17
Undesignated	*
	(N=526)

**BASED ON HINDUS [N=333]:**

	Asian
	Americans
	Jan 3-Mar27
	<u>2012</u>
Yes	59
No	27
Other (VOL)	1
Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	13
	(N=333)

**NO QUESTION 37****ASK ALL**

Q38 Which, if any, of the following do you believe in? Do you believe [INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE], or not? Do you believe [INSERT NEXT ITEM], or not?

	Yes, believe in	No, don't believe	Don't know/ Refused (VOL.)
<b>ALL ASIAN AMERICANS</b>			
c. in heaven, where people who have led good lives are eternally rewarded?	60	33	7
e. in angels?	58	36	6
f. in evil spirits?	51	43	6
d. in hell, where people who have led bad lives and die without being sorry are eternally punished?	50	42	8
h. in yoga, not just as exercise, but as a spiritual practice	41	50	9
b. in ancestral spirits	41	49	10
i. in spiritual energy located in physical things, such as mountains, trees or crystals	35	57	8
a. in reincarnation, that people will be reborn in this world again and again	34	56	10
g. in astrology, or that the position of the stars and planets can affect people's lives?	30	62	8

## Q38 CONTINUED...

a. in reincarnation, that people will be reborn in this world again and again?

	Asian Americans Jan 3- Mar27 <u>2012</u>	Christian	Protest- ant	Catholic	Buddhist	Hindu	Unaffil- iated	General Public (P-P/ Forum) Aug 20- 27, 2009
Yes, believe in	34	23	16	32	64	59	26	24
No, don't believe	56	69	76	59	28	33	60	69
Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	10	8	8	9	8	9	15	6

b. in ancestral spirits?

	Asian Americans Jan 3- Mar27 <u>2012</u>	Christian	Protestant	Catholic	Buddhist	Hindu	Unaffiliated	
Yes, believe in	41	38	27	49	67	34	37	
No, don't believe	49	54	63	43	25	58	52	
Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	10	9	10	8	7	8	11	

c. in heaven, where people who have led good lives are eternally rewarded?

	Asian Americans Jan 3- Mar27 <u>2012</u>	Christian	Protest- ant	Catholic	Buddhist	Hindu	Unaffil- iated	General Public (Forum) May 8- Aug 13, 2007 <sup>59</sup>
Yes, believe in	60	86	85	89	52	45	27	74
No, don't believe	33	11	11	8	40	50	60	17
Other (VOL.)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	3
Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	7	4	4	3	8	5	13	6

d. in hell, where people who have led bad lives and die without being sorry are eternally punished?

	Asian Americans Jan 3- Mar27 <u>2012</u>	Christian	Protest- ant	Catholic	Buddhist	Hindu	Unaffil- iated	General Public (Forum) May 8- Aug 13, 2007 <sup>60</sup>
Yes, believe in	50	71	71	71	51	34	21	59
No, don't believe	42	24	24	24	40	61	67	30
Other (VOL.)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	3
Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	8	5	5	6	9	5	11	8

<sup>59</sup> In May/August, the question read, "Do you think there is a heaven, where people who have led good lives are eternally rewarded?" and the response options included "other" as a volunteered option.

<sup>60</sup> In May/August, the question read, "Do you think there is a hell, where people who have led bad lives and die without being sorry are eternally punished?" and the response options included "other" as a volunteered option.

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## Q38 CONTINUED...

e. in angels?

	Asian Americans Jan 3- Mar27 <u>2012</u>	Christian	Protestant	Catholic	Buddhist	Hindu	Unaffiliated
Yes, believe in	58	85	84	86	49	38	25
No, don't believe	36	12	12	11	41	58	65
Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	6	3	4	2	10	5	10

f. in evil spirits?

	Asian Americans Jan 3- Mar27 <u>2012</u>	Christian	Protestant	Catholic	Buddhist	Hindu	Unaffiliated
Yes, believe in	51	69	71	67	54	28	29
No, don't believe	43	27	23	30	41	67	63
Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	6	4	5	3	5	5	9

g. in astrology, or that the position of the stars and planets can affect people's lives?

	Asian Americans Jan 3- Mar27 <u>2012</u>	Christian	Protestant	Catholic	Buddhist	Hindu	Unaffiliated	General Public (P-P/ Forum) <u>Aug 20- 27, 2009</u>
Yes, believe in	30	22	14	31	50	53	23	25
No, don't believe	62	70	77	63	45	43	66	71
Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	8	8	9	6	5	3	11	4

h. in yoga, not just as exercise, but as a spiritual practice

	Asian Americans Jan 3- Mar27 <u>2012</u>	Christian	Protestant	Catholic	Buddhist	Hindu	Unaffiliated	General Public (P-P/ Forum) <u>Aug 20- 27, 2009</u>
Yes, believe in	41	26	21	31	58	73	42	23
No, don't believe	50	65	69	61	32	22	48	70
Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	9	9	11	8	10	5	10	7

## Q38 CONTINUED..

i. in spiritual energy located in physical things, such as mountains, trees or crystals

	Asian Americans Jan 3- Mar27 <u>2012</u>	Christian	Protest- ant	Catholic	Buddhist	Hindu	Unaffil- iated	General Public (P-P/ Forum) Aug 20- 27, 2009
Yes, believe in	35	25	19	31	58	46	34	26
No, don't believe	57	68	74	62	32	47	59	69
Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	8	7	7	7	9	7	6	5

## RANDOMIZE Q39 AND Q40

## ASK ALL

Q39 Which statement comes closer to your own views even if neither is exactly right? [READ; DO NOT RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS]

## BASED ON THOSE WITH RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION [N=2,644]:

	Asian Americans Jan 3- Mar27 <u>2012</u>	Christian	Protest- ant	Catholic	Buddhist	Hindu	Unaffil- iated	General Public (Forum) May 8- Aug 13, <u>2007</u> <sup>61</sup>
There is only ONE true way to interpret the teachings of my religion	24	34	42	23	11	5	27	
There is MORE than one true way to interpret the teachings of my religion	67	58	50	70	75	90	68	
Neither/Both equally (VOL.)	2	2	2	2	1	2	1	
Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	7	6	6	6	13	3	4	
	(N=2,644)	(N=1,599)	(N=860)	(N=702)	(N=526)	(N=333)	(N=30,236)	

<sup>61</sup> In May/Aug 2007, the question was only asked of those with a religious affiliation and the two response options were randomized (N=30,236).



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## ASK ALL

Q40 Which statement comes closer to your own views even if neither is exactly right? [READ; DO NOT RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS] My religion is the one, true [IF BUDDHIST (Q30=7 or Q30B=3): path leading to enlightenment/ ALL NOT BUDDHIST: faith leading to eternal life], OR many religions can lead to [IF BUDDHIST (Q30=7 or Q30B=3): enlightenment/ ALL NOT BUDDHIST: eternal life.

**BASED ON THOSE WITH RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION [N=2,644]:**

	Asian Americans Jan 3- Mar27 <u>2012</u>	Christian	Protest- ant	Catholic	Buddhist	Hindu	Unaffil- iated	General Public (P-P/ Forum) July 31- Aug 10, <u>2008</u> <sup>62</sup>
My religion is the one, true [ <i>faith leading to eternal life/path leading to enlightenment</i> ]	29	42	57	23	11	4	29	
Many religions can lead to [ <i>enlightenment/ eternal life</i> ]	63	51	35	73	79	91	65	
Neither/Both equally (VOL.)	2	2	2	*	2	1	3	
Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	6	5	6	4	8	4	3	
	(N=2,644)	(N=1,599)	(N=860)	(N=702)	(N=526)	(N=333)	(N=2,502)	

<sup>62</sup> In Jul/ Aug 2008 the question was only asked of those with a religious affiliation, and it did not include separate language for Buddhist respondents. The question read, "Now, as I read a pair of statements, tell me whether the FIRST statement or the SECOND statement comes closer to your own views even if neither is exactly right."

**ASK ALL**

Q41 Now thinking about when you were a child, in what religion were you raised, if any? Were you Protestant, Roman Catholic, Mormon, Orthodox such as Greek or Russian Orthodox, Jewish, Muslim, Buddhist, Hindu, atheist, agnostic, something else, or nothing in particular?

**INTERVIEWER: IF R VOLUNTEERS** “nothing in particular, none, no religion, etc.” **BEFORE REACHING END OF LIST, PROMPT WITH:** and would you say that was atheist, agnostic, or just nothing in particular?]

**RECORD RESPONSE IF RESPONDED “SOMETHING ELSE” (Q41=11)**

Q41a **(RECORD RESPONSE)**

**ASK IF RESPONDED “SOMETHING ELSE” OR “DON’T KNOW” OR REFUSED (Q41 = 11,99)**

Q41b Did you think of yourself as a Christian, a Muslim, a Buddhist, a Hindu, or none of these?

Asian Americans

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Christian <b>[NET]</b>	40
Protestant <sup>63</sup>	17
Roman Catholic	22
Other Christian	1
Mormon	*
Orthodox	*
Iglesia ni Cristo <b>(VOL.)</b>	*
Buddhist	22
Hindu	12
Other Religion <b>[NET]</b>	7
Jewish	*
Muslim	4
Unitarian (Universalist) <b>(VOL.)</b>	*
Sikh <b>(VOL.)</b>	1
Jain <b>(VOL.)</b>	*
Bahá'í Faith <b>(VOL.)</b>	*
Shinto <b>(VOL.)</b>	*
Confucian <b>(VOL.)</b>	*
Cao Dai <b>(VOL.)</b>	*
Something else (SPECIFY)	1
Unaffiliated <b>[NET]</b>	18
Atheist/Agnostic	2
Nothing in particular	16
Don't know/Refused <b>(VOL.)</b>	1

**QUESTION 42 PREVIOUSLY RELEASED**

**NO QUESTION 43**

**QUESTIONS 44-47 PREVIOUSLY RELEASED**

**NO QUESTION 48**

**QUESTIONS 49a-53 PREVIOUSLY RELEASED**

<sup>63</sup> Includes “Protestant” and “Christian (VOL.)”

## ASIAN AMERICANS

**ASK ALL**

A couple of questions for background purposes.

BIRTH In what country were you born? [OPEN END; PRE-CODED; PROBE FOR COUNTRY IF CONTINENT OR REGION GIVEN]

	Asian Americans <u>Jan 3-Mar27 2012</u>		Asian Americans <u>Jan 3-Mar27 2012</u>
U.S.	24	Qatar	*
India	14	Samoa	*
China (mainland China)	12	Singapore	*
The Philippines	11	South Africa	*
Vietnam	11	Sri Lanka	*
Korea	9	Suriname	*
Japan	4	Tanzania	*
Taiwan (Chinese Taipei)	3	Trinidad and Tobago	*
Bangladesh	1	United Arab Emirates	*
Cambodia	1	United Kingdom (includes England, Scotland, Wales)	*
Hong Kong	1	Yemen	*
Indonesia	1	Zambia	*
Laos	1	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	*
Malaysia	1		
Nepal	1		
Pakistan	1		
Thailand	1		
Afghanistan	*		
Africa, general	*		
Bahrain	*		
Bhutan	*		
Burma/Myanmar	*		
Canada	*		
Caribbean, general	*		
Colombia	*		
Denmark	*		
Dominican Republic	*		
Egypt	*		
Fiji	*		
France	*		
Georgia	*		
Germany	*		
Ghana	*		
Guam	*		
Guyana	*		
Haiti	*		
Iran	*		
Jamaica	*		
Kenya	*		
Kuwait	*		
Macau	*		
Mexico	*		
Mongolia	*		
The Netherlands	*		
New Zealand	*		
Nigeria	*		
Panama	*		

**ASK IF BORN IN U.S. (BIRTH=1)**

FATHER In what country was your father born? [OPEN END; IF "SAME", SELECT COUNTRY; PROBE FOR COUNTRY IF CONTINENT OR REGION GIVEN.]

**ASK IF BORN IN U.S. (BIRTH=1)**

MOTHER In what country was your mother born? [OPEN END: IF "SAME", SELECT COUNTRY; PROBE FOR COUNTRY IF CONTINENT OR REGION GIVEN.]

	Asian Americans Jan 3-Mar27 <u>2012</u>	Christian	Protestant	Catholic	Buddhist	Hindu	Unaffiliated
Foreign born/first generation	75	73	68	79	79	96	70
Native Born	24	27	32	21	21	4	29
Second generation	18	19	22	17	16	4	23
Third generation or higher	6	8	10	4	5	0	6
Native born, generation unknown	*	*	0	*	0	0	*
Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	*	*	1	*	0	*	*

**QUESTIONS 54a-g PREVIOUSLY RELEASED**

NO QUESTION 55

**QUESTIONS 56-57 PREVIOUSLY RELEASED**

NO QUESTION 58

**ASK IF FOREIGN BORN (USGEN=1):**

Q59 In what year did you come to live in the U.S.? [RECORD VERBATIM RESPONSE]

**BASED ON FOREIGN BORN [N=2,684]:**

	Asian Americans Jan 3-Mar27 <u>2012</u>	Christian	Protestant	Catholic	Buddhist	Hindu	Unaffiliated
NET 2000-2012	29	22	25	20	26	44	35
2006-2012	14	8	10	7	14	27	14
2000-2005	16	14	15	13	12	16	20
1990-1999	25	22	21	23	31	27	25
Before 1990	44	54	53	56	43	27	38
Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	1	1	1	1	*	2	2
	(N=2,684)	(N=1,196)	(N=602)	(N=570)	(N=423)	(N=319)	(N=594)

NO QUESTION 60 THROUGH 64

**QUESTIONS 65-67 PREVIOUSLY RELEASED**

## ASIAN AMERICANS

## ASK ALL

Q68 How comfortable would you be if a child of yours married someone who **(INSERT ITEM; DO NOT RANDOMIZE)**? Would you be very comfortable, somewhat comfortable, not too comfortable or not at all comfortable? What about **(INSERT)? READ IF NECESSARY:** Would you be very comfortable, somewhat comfortable, not too comfortable or not at all comfortable? **[FOR ITEMS A AND B, IF COOGROUP=30 INSERT “from the country you, your parents or ancestors came from”]**

	Very comfortable	Somewhat comfortable	Not too comfortable	Not at all comfortable	Depends on situation/ Depends if man or woman <b>(VOL.)</b>	Don't know/ Refused <b>(VOL.)</b>
<b>ALL ASIAN AMERICANS</b>						
a. Is NOT [ <i>Country of Origin/“from the country you, your parents or ancestors came from”</i> ]	54	28	9	4	2	2
b. Is Asian but NOT [ <i>Country of Origin/“from the country you, your parents or ancestors came from”</i> ]	52	31	9	4	2	2
c. Has NO Asian background	49	29	12	6	3	2
d. Has different religious beliefs	34	32	16	13	3	3

a. Is NOT [*Country of Origin/“from the country you, your parents or ancestors came from”*]

	Asian Americans Jan 3-Mar27 <u>2012</u>	Christian	Protestant	Catholic	Buddhist	Hindu	Unaffiliated
Very comfortable	54	54	50	60	49	42	64
Somewhat comfortable	28	28	30	26	32	35	24
Not too comfortable	9	9	11	7	11	14	7
Not at all comfortable	4	3	4	3	5	5	2
Depends on situation/Depends if man or woman <b>(VOL.)</b>	2	3	2	3	2	2	2
Don't know/Refused <b>(VOL.)</b>	2	2	2	1	1	2	2

b. Is Asian but NOT [*Country of Origin/“from the country you, your parents or ancestors came from”*]

	Asian Americans Jan 3-Mar27 <u>2012</u>	Christian	Protestant	Catholic	Buddhist	Hindu	Unaffiliated
Very comfortable	52	52	49	57	48	40	61
Somewhat comfortable	31	30	31	29	34	36	29
Not too comfortable	9	10	13	9	11	9	6
Not at all comfortable	4	3	4	1	4	10	2
Depends on situation/Depends if man or woman <b>(VOL.)</b>	2	2	2	2	2	2	1
Don't know/Refused <b>(VOL.)</b>	2	2	2	2	1	4	2

## Q68 CONTINUED...

c. Has NO Asian background

	Asian Americans Jan 3-Mar27 <u>2012</u>	Christian	Protestant	Catholic	Buddhist	Hindu	Unaffiliated
Very comfortable	49	49	47	53	43	34	57
Somewhat comfortable	29	28	30	26	32	35	27
Not too comfortable	12	12	12	12	13	15	9
Not at all comfortable	6	5	7	4	6	11	3
Depends on situation/Depends if man or woman <b>(VOL.)</b>	3	3	2	3	4	3	2
Don't know/Refused <b>(VOL.)</b>	2	2	2	2	2	2	2

d. Has different religious beliefs

	Asian Americans Jan 3-Mar27 <u>2012</u>	Christian	Protestant	Catholic	Buddhist	Hindu	Unaffiliated
Very comfortable	34	24	19	31	37	34	48
Somewhat comfortable	32	28	25	30	38	37	34
Not too comfortable	16	23	22	26	13	14	9
Not at all comfortable	13	20	29	10	6	9	2
Depends on situation/Depends if man or woman <b>(VOL.)</b>	3	2	3	2	4	3	3
Don't know/Refused <b>(VOL.)</b>	3	2	2	2	2	3	4

## NO QUESTION 69

## ASIAN AMERICANS

## QUESTION 70 PREVIOUSLY RELEASED

On a different topic...

## ASK ALL

Q71 People practice their religion in different ways. Outside of attending religious services, do you pray several times a day, once a day, a few times a week, once a week, a few times a month, seldom, or never?

	Asian Americans Jan 3- Mar27 <u>2012</u>	Christian	Protest- ant	Catholic	Buddhist	Hindu	Unaffil- iated	General Public (P-P/ Forum) Aug 11- <u>27, 2009</u>
Several times a day	21	36	37	35	10	11	2	36
Once a day	19	24	23	27	19	36	4	19
A few times a week	10	14	14	14	11	12	3	14
Once a week	4	6	4	7	4	6	1	4
A few times a month	9	7	8	6	17	14	7	6
Seldom	16	9	9	8	21	15	24	11
Never	19	3	3	2	16	2	57	8
Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	2	2	2	1	1	2	2	2

## ASK ALL

Q72 How often do you meditate as a religious or spiritual exercise [READ]?

	Asian Americans Jan 3- Mar27 <u>2012</u>	Christian	Protest- ant	Catholic	Buddhist	Hindu	Unaffiliated
Several times a day	8	12	14	9	5	4	2
Once a day	11	15	15	15	9	20	3
A few times a week	11	13	13	14	11	16	5
Once a week	5	7	4	9	2	4	2
A few times a month	8	7	7	7	12	13	6
Seldom	18	15	14	15	21	20	22
Never	38	29	29	30	39	22	60
Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	2	3	3	2	1	*	1

**ASK IF ATTEND YEARLY OR MORE OFTEN (ATTEND 1-4):**

Q73 Aside from when you're traveling and special events like weddings and funerals, do you always attend religious services at the same place, mostly attend at one place but occasionally go to different places, or do you go to different places on a regular basis?

**BASED ON TOTAL:**

	Asian Americans Jan 3- Mar27 <u>2012</u>	Christian	Protest- ant	Catholic	Buddhist	Hindu	Unaffil- iated	General Public (P-P/ Forum) Aug 20- <u>27, 2009</u>
<i>Attend religious services yearly or more</i>	67	87	87	88	64	85	24	72
Always attend at the same place	26	41	46	36	19	23	6	36
Mostly attend at one place but occasionally go to different places	23	31	30	33	22	26	6	26
Go to different places on a regular basis	14	12	7	17	17	28	9	9
Don't know/Refused <b>(VOL.)</b>	4	3	4	2	5	8	4	1
<i>Attend religious services seldom/never/Don't Know</i>	33	13	13	12	36	15	76	28



**ASK IF ATTEND YEARLY OR MORE OFTEN (ATTEND 1-4):**

Q73 Aside from when you're traveling and special events like weddings and funerals, do you always attend religious services at the same place, mostly attend at one place but occasionally go to different places, or do you go to different places on a regular basis?

**ASK IF EVER ATTEND AT MORE THAN ONE PLACE (Q73=2,3):**

Q74 And aside from weddings and funerals, do you ever attend services from different religions, such as [INSERT LANGUAGE FILL], or not?  
 [IF CHRISTIAN AND NOT CATHOLIC (Q30=1,3,4, 13,21 OR Q30B=1): Catholic, Jewish, Muslim, Buddhist, Hindu, or some other kind of religious services]; [IF CATHOLIC (Q30=2): Protestant, Jewish, Muslim, Buddhist, Hindu or some other kind of religious services]; [IF JEWISH (Q30=5): Protestant, Catholic, Muslim, Buddhist, Hindu or some other kind of religious services]; [IF MUSLIM (Q30=6 OR Q30b=2): Protestant, Catholic, Jewish, Buddhist, Hindu or some other kind of religious services]; [IF BUDDHIST (Q30=7 OR Q30B=3): Protestant, Catholic, Jewish, Muslim, Hindu or some other kind of religious services]; [IF HINDU (Q30=8 OR Q30B=4): Protestant, Catholic, Jewish, Muslim, Buddhist or some other kind of religious services]; [IF UNAFFILIATED OR ALL OTHER RELIGIONS: Protestant, Catholic, Jewish, Muslim, Buddhist, Hindu or some other kind of religious services]

**BASED ON TOTAL:**

	Asian Americans Jan 3- Mar27 <u>2012</u>	Christian	Protest- ant	Catholic	Buddhist	Hindu	Unaffil- iated	General Public (P-P/ Forum) Aug 20- 27, 2009
<i>Attend religious services yearly or more</i>	67	87	87	88	64	85	24	72
Always attend at the same place	26	41	46	36	19	23	6	36
NET Mostly attend at one place but occasionally go to different places; Go to different places on a regular basis	37	43	37	50	39	54	15	35
Yes, attends services from different religions	19	20	19	23	21	30	9	--
No, does not attend services from different religions	18	22	17	28	17	24	6	--
Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	*	0	0	0	*	*	*	--
Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	4	3	4	2	5	8	4	1
<i>Attend religious services seldom/never/Don't Know</i>	33	13	13	12	36	15	76	28

**NO QUESTION 75**

**ASK ALL**

Q76 Do you have a shrine or temple for prayer in your home, or not?

	Asian Americans Jan 3-Mar27 <u>2012</u>	Christian	Protestant	Catholic	Buddhist	Hindu	Unaffiliated
Yes	29	21	6	40	57	78	13
No	70	79	94	60	43	20	87
Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	1	*	*	*	1	1	1

**NO QUESTION 77****ASK ALL**

Q78 Do you fast, that is avoid eating for certain periods during holy times, or not?

	Asian Americans Jan 3-Mar27 <u>2012</u>	Christian	Protestant	Catholic	Buddhist	Hindu	Unaffiliated
Yes	29	36	18	56	26	41	6
No	70	63	81	44	73	59	93
Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	1	1	1	1	2	*	1

**ASK ALL**

Q79 Do you celebrate [INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE ITEM A AND B; ITEM C OR D ALWAYS LAST], or not?

a. Christmas?

	Asian Americans Jan 3- Mar27 <u>2012</u>	Christian	Protest- ant	Catholic	Buddhist	Hindu	Unaffil- iated	General Public (Gallup/ USA Today) Dec 10- 12, 2010 <sup>64</sup>
Yes	83	96	93	99	76	73	78	95
No	15	4	7	1	22	24	19	4
Sometimes (VOL.)	2	*	*	0	2	2	3	--
Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	*	*	*	*	*	1	*	*

b. Thanksgiving?

	Asian Americans Jan 3-Mar27 <u>2012</u>	Christian	Protestant	Catholic	Buddhist	Hindu	Unaffiliated
Yes	87	95	92	98	82	76	82
No	12	5	8	2	16	21	16
Sometimes (VOL.)	1	*	1	0	*	2	2
Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	*	*	*	*	1	1	*

<sup>64</sup> In the December 2010 Gallup/USA Today poll the question read, "Do you celebrate Christmas?," and there was no volunteered "Sometimes" response.

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## Q79 CONTINUED...

ASK IF CHINESE (COOGROUP =1), KOREAN (COOGROUP=5), JAPANESE (COOGROUP=4), VIETNAMESE COOGROUP=6):

c. The Lunar new year? [*TRANSLATE SPECIFIC TO COUNTRY*]

**BASED ON CHINESE<sup>65</sup>, KOREAN, JAPANESE, AND VIETNAMESE:**

	Asian Americans Jan 3-Mar27 <u>2012</u>	Christian	Protestant	Catholic	Buddhist	Hindu	Unaffiliated
Yes	--	59	51	77	81		72
No	--	38	46	22	18		26
Sometimes (VOL.)	--	2	2	1	0		1
Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	--	1	1	*	1		1
		(N=990)	(N=682)	(N=297)	(N=475)		(N=700)

ASK IF INDIAN (COOGROUP=3):

d. Diwali?

**BASED ON INDIAN AMERICANS:**

	Asian Americans Jan 3-Mar27 <u>2012</u>	Christian	Protestant	Catholic	Buddhist	Hindu	Unaffiliated
Yes	--					95	
No	--					4	
Sometimes (VOL.)	--					2	
Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	--					0	
						(N=323)	

**QUESTIONS 80-81 PREVIOUSLY RELEASED**

ASK ALL

On another topic

Q82 Which statement comes closer to your own views, even if neither is exactly right? [**READ**]

	Asian Americans Jan 3- Mar27 <u>2012</u>	Christian	Protest- ant	Catholic	Buddhist	Hindu	Unaffil- iated	General Public (P-P) Jan 4-8, <u>2012</u>
Homosexuality should be accepted by society	53	45	35	58	54	54	69	56
Homosexuality should be discouraged by society	35	44	54	30	32	30	22	32
Neither/Both equally (VOL.)	4	4	4	4	6	5	2	4
Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	8	7	7	8	8	11	6	7

<sup>65</sup> Due to a programming error, this question was not asked of Chinese from Taiwan (COOGROUP=25).

**ASK ALL**

Q83 Do you think abortion should be **[READ; READ CATEGORIES IN REVERSE ORDER FOR HALF THE SAMPLE]**

	Asian Americans Jan 3- Mar27 <u>2012</u>	Christian	Protest- ant	Catholic	Buddhist	Hindu	Unaffil- iated	General Public (P-P) Nov 9- <u>14, 2011</u>
Legal in all cases	16	9	9	9	16	27	25	20
Legal in most cases	38	29	29	29	44	37	49	31
Illegal in most cases	23	32	32	31	17	18	13	26
Illegal in all cases	14	22	20	25	14	6	5	17
Don't know/Refused <b>(VOL.)</b>	9	9	10	6	9	13	8	6

**DEMOGRAPHIC QUESTIONS NOT SHOWN**

**NO QUESTION 84 THROUGH 85**

## ASIAN AMERICANS

**ASK IF MARRIED OR PARTNERED (MARITAL = 1,2)**

Q86 And what is your [IF MARITAL=1: spouse's/IF MARITAL=2: partner's] religion, if any? Are they Protestant, Roman Catholic, Mormon, Orthodox such as Greek or Russian Orthodox, Jewish, Muslim, Buddhist, Hindu, atheist, agnostic, something else, or nothing in particular?

**[INTERVIEWER: IF R VOLUNTEERS “nothing in particular, none, no religion, etc.” BEFORE REACHING END OF LIST, PROMPT WITH: and would you say they are atheist, agnostic, or just nothing in particular?]**

**BASED ON MARRIED ONLY [N=2,255]:**

	Asian Americans Jan 3-Mar27 <u>2012</u>
Christian [NET]	46
Protestant <sup>66</sup>	25
Roman Catholic	20
Other Christian	2
Mormon	1
Orthodox	1
Iglesia ni Cristo (VOL.)	*
Buddhist	13
Hindu	15
Other Religion [NET]	6
Jewish	1
Muslim	4
Unitarian (Universalist) (VOL.)	*
Sikh (VOL.)	1
Jain (VOL.)	*
Bahá'í Faith (VOL.)	*
Shinto (VOL.)	*
Confucian (VOL.)	0
Cao Dai (VOL.)	*
Something else (SPECIFY)	*
Unaffiliated [NET]	19
Atheist/Agnostic	3
Nothing in particular	15
Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	1
	(N=2,255)

**ASK ALL**

Q87 How would you rate your own personal financial situation? Would you say you are in excellent shape, good shape, only fair shape or poor shape financially?

	Asian Americans Jan 3- Mar27 <u>2012</u>	Christian	Protest- ant	Catholic	Buddhist	Hindu	Unaffil- iated	General Public (P-P) Jan 11-16, <u>2012</u>
Excellent shape	12	10	11	10	8	11	16	6
Good shape	40	38	38	39	28	59	41	29
Only fair shape	36	39	39	39	48	22	30	42
Poor shape	11	11	11	11	14	7	10	22
Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	2	1	2	1	2	1	3	1

<sup>66</sup> Includes “Protestant” and “Christian (VOL.).”

**ASK IF BORN IN U.S. OR A CITIZEN OF U.S. (BIRTH=1 OR CITIZEN=1):**

REGA Which of these statements best describes you? **[READ IN ORDER]** Are you absolutely certain that you are registered to vote at your current address, OR are you probably registered, but there is a chance your registration has lapsed, OR are you not registered to vote at your current address?

**BASED ON US BORN/CITIZENS [N=2,660]:**

	Asian Americans Jan 3- Mar27 <u>2012</u>	Christian	Protest- ant	Catholic	Buddhist	Hindu	Unaffil- iated	General Public (P-P) Oct 21- 24, <u>2010</u> <sup>67</sup>	All US Citizens (SDT) Dec 6- 19, <u>2011</u> <sup>68</sup>
Registered, certain	72	75	73	76	67	79	66	79	75
Not certain	9	8	8	8	9	7	11	4	5
Not registered	18	16	17	15	23	12	21	17	19
Don't know/ Refused (VOL.)	2	1	2	1	1	2	2	1	1
	(N=2,660)	(N=1,301)	(N=688)	(N=583)	(N=398)	(N=181)	(N=624)	(N=1,006)	(N=1,921)

**ASK ALL**

PARTY In politics TODAY, do you consider yourself a Republican, Democrat, or independent?

	Asian Americans Jan 3- Mar27 <u>2012</u>	Christian	Protest- ant	Catholic	Buddhist	Hindu	Unaffil- iated	General Public (P-P) Feb 8- 12, <u>2012</u>
Republican	18	28	28	28	18	5	11	26
Democrat	33	27	23	30	32	46	34	32
Independent	34	30	31	31	31	37	40	36
No preference (VOL.)	7	6	8	4	13	7	8	4
Other party (VOL.)	*	*	*	*	*	0	1	1
Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	7	8	10	7	6	5	7	2

<sup>67</sup> In Oct 2010, the question was asked of all respondents (survey did not ask place of birth or citizenship). Results shown are based on all respondents.

<sup>68</sup> In Dec 2011, there were two questions regarding voter registration. The first (REGIST) read, "These days, many people are so busy they can't find time to register to vote, or move around so often they don't get a chance to re-register. Are you NOW registered to vote in your precinct or election district or haven't you been able to register so far?" The second (REGICERT) was asked of those respondents who said yes, they are registered, and read, "Are you absolutely certain that you are registered to vote, or is there a chance that your registration has lapsed because you moved or for some other reason?" The results shown here combine the responses from the two questions to make them more comparable to the question asked in the Asian Americans Survey (If a respondent said they were registered and they were certain of it, they are shown here as "absolutely certain." If a respondent said they were registered, but not certain or answered "don't know" or refused to answer the follow up question about certainty, they are shown here as "not certain." If a respondent said they were not registered, they are shown here as "not registered." If a respondent said they didn't know if they were registered or refused to answer the first question about registration, they are shown here as "Don't know/Refused."). Results shown are based on those who said they were born in the U.S. or are U.S. citizens. In the Asian-American Survey, citizenship was asked only of foreign born, whereas in Dec 2011 citizenship was asked of all respondents.

## ASIAN AMERICANS

**ASK ALL**

PARTY In politics TODAY, do you consider yourself a Republican, Democrat, or independent?

**ASK IF INDEP/NO PREF/OTHER/DK/REF (PARTY=3,4,5,9):**

PARTYLN As of today do you lean more to the Republican Party or more to the Democratic Party?

**BASED ON TOTAL:**

	Asian Americans Jan 3- Mar27 <u>2012</u>	Christian	Protest- ant	Catholic	Buddhist	Hindu	Unaffil- iated	General Public (P-P) Feb 8- <u>12, 2012</u>
Republican/lean Republican	28	41	42	39	26	12	19	39
Democrat/lean Democrat	50	39	36	41	50	68	57	49
Do not lean	22	21	22	20	24	20	24	12

**ASK ALL**IDEO In general, would you describe your political views as... **[READ]**

	Asian Americans Jan 3- Mar27 <u>2012</u>	Christian	Protest- ant	Catholic	Buddhist	Hindu	Unaffil- iated	General Public (P-P) Feb 8- <u>12, 2012</u>
Very conservative	3	5	7	4	2	1	2	6
Conservative	20	29	31	29	17	13	12	27
Moderate	37	37	35	40	36	44	36	37
Liberal	24	17	15	18	26	30	30	16
Very liberal	7	4	3	4	7	4	12	7
Don't know/Refused <b>(VOL.)</b>	8	7	8	6	12	8	7	6

**ASK IF BORN IN U.S. OR A CITIZEN OF U.S. (BIRTH=1 OR CITIZEN=1) AND AGE GREATER THAN OR EQUAL TO 20:**

PVOTE08A In the 2008 presidential election between Barack Obama and John McCain, did things come up that kept you from voting, or did you happen to vote?

**BASED ON US BORN/CITIZENS [N=2,660]:**

	Asian Americans Jan 3- Mar27 <u>2012</u>	Christian	Protest- ant	Catholic	Buddhist	Hindu	Unaffil- iated	General Public (P-P) Sep 22- Oct 4, <u>2011</u> <sup>69</sup>
Voted	66	69	67	70	62	64	64	70
Did not vote (includes too young to vote)	26	24	26	22	29	26	29	25
Not a citizen at the time of the 2008 election (VOL.)	2	1	2	1	3	6	1	--
Don't remember (VOL.)	2	1	1	2	4	2	1	*
Refused (VOL.)	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	*
Not asked (under age 20)	4	4	3	5	2	1	4	5
	(N=2,660)	(N=1,301)	(N=688)	(N=583)	(N=398)	(N=181)	(N=624)	(N=2,410)

**ASK IF VOTED (PVOTE08A=1):**

PVOTE08B Did you vote for Obama, McCain or someone else?

**BASED ON THOSE WHO VOTED [N=1,772]:**

	Asian Americans Jan 3- Mar27 <u>2012</u>	Christian	Protest- ant	Catholic	Buddhist	Hindu	Unaffil- iated	General Public (P-P) Sep 22- Oct 4, <u>2011</u>
Obama	63	50	47	53	66	85	72	54
McCain	26	38	38	37	23	7	18	35
Other candidate	6	7	8	6	5	4	7	6
Don't remember (VOL.)	2	3	3	2	1	0	*	*
Refused (VOL.)	3	3	4	2	5	4	2	4
	(N=1,772)	(N=885)	(N=468)	(N=395)	(N=262)	(N=117)	(N=401)	(N=1,870)

<sup>69</sup> Asked of all respondents in Sep/Oct survey (survey did not ask citizenship or place of birth for all respondents).



## ASIAN AMERICANS

**COOGROUP (Country of Origin Group):** Code based on summary variables of Asian group of the respondent, used for inserting customized language throughout the survey.

<b>COOGROUP</b>	Code
Chinese	1
Filipino(s)	2
Indian(s)	3
Japanese	4
Korean(s)	5
Vietnamese	6
Bangladeshi(s)	10
Bhutanese	11
Burmese	12
Cambodian(s)	13
Hmong	14
Indonesian(s)	15
Laotian(s)	16
Maldivian(s)	17
Malaysian(s)	18
Mongolian(s)	19
Nepali(s)	20
Pakistani(s)	21
Singaporean(s)	22
Sri Lankan(s)	23
Thai	24
Taiwanese	25
Other Asian	30
[if don't know/none/both or all equally/other in combined variable]	